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NEW PLANT LOCATED IN SUDAPEST -- Budapest Nepszava, 26 Mar 52

In 1951, the precision-instrument industry surpassed 1950 production by 72 percent, and in 1952 a 51-percent increase is expected over 1951. The Mechanikal Meromuszerek Gyara (Mechanical Measuring Instruments Factory), now being built on Szepvolgyi-ut in Budapest, will supply more precision instruments to Hungarian industry.

Mass production of a new type of short-wave radio was started in Orion Radio Gyar (Orion Radio Factory).

Kiskunfelegyhaza, formerly an exclusively agricultural town, is becoming more and more industrialized. It is the site of Bacs-Kiskun Megye's largest agricultural machine station and a new telephone central will be placed in operation on 12 March.

PLANT WORKS FOR SOVIETS -- Innabruck, Unio Press Service, Mar 52

It is reported that the Putz Cotton Factory of Szombathely has been acquired by the USSR and is producing for the Soviet Army. The factory employs 350-400 workers in three shifts on 40 modern power looms, which were purchased partly in Switzerland and partly in Italy shortly before the end of World War II. All these machines are currently imployed in making military blankets at the rate of 1,300 meters per day. The products are part wool and part substitute material. Practically all the raw materials are received from the USSR.

Horse blankets and felt for harness are manufactured in a small department of the factory.

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Approximately 60 percent of the workers are women, who are paid starvation wages, amounting only in rare cases to 120 forints a week.

CONVERT FACTORY TO WAR PRODUCTION -- Innsbruck, Unio Press Service, Apr 52

It has been announced that the Borsodnadasdi Lemezgyar (Borsodnadasd Sheet Metal Factory) is working for the war effort. Darko, manager of the enterprise, is completely subordinated to the Soviet director, who issues his orders through party secretary Liptak.

Soviet orders receive preference. The plant now produces military equipment exclusively: radio cabinets, ammunition boxes. standard 20-liter gasoline cans, armor plate, steel helmets, and artillery shells.

The plant employs 1,800 workers, who work in three shifts. During the months of January and February of 1952, only percent of the plant's total output was turned to civilian use.

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